IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

MARRIOTT ET AL.

SERIAL NO.: 09/646,111

GROUP ART UNIT: 1615

FILED: November 20, 2000

EXAMINER: S. Tran

FOR: IMPROVED CRYSTAL STRUCTURE

ATTY. REFERENCE: MARR3001/REF



NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER TO THE BOARD OF APPEALS

COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Appeals from the decision dated: December 9, 2003 of the Primary Examiner finally rejecting claims: 42-49 and 52

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- □ \$165.
- not required (fee paid in prior appeal in this application).
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